

interjection (int),
adverb word ,phrase, or clause (adv),
conjunction (conj),
relative pronoun(rp),
5 interrogative words (wh),
or
auxiliary verb(ax).

10 11. The method of claim 1 wherein the software program is
further configured with store a visual aid file in a field
associated with each sentence entered, the visual aid file
having substantive content related to the subject matter of
the associated sentence.

15 12. The method of claim 11 wherein the visual aid files
comprise a static image file.

20 13. The method of claim 11 wherein the visual aid files
comprise an animated image file.

14. The method of claim 11 wherein the student views the
visual aid file as part of learning the associated sentence.

25 15. The method of claim 1 wherein the software program is
further configured with store an audio aid file in a field
associated with each sentence entered, the audio aid file
having substantive content related to the subject matter of
the associated sentence.

30 16. The method of claim 11 wherein the student listens to the
audio aid file as part of learning the associated sentence.

17. The method of claim 1 wherein the software program is

further configured with store a comment file in a field associated with each sentence entered, the comment file having substantive textual content related to the subject matter of the associated sentence.

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18. The method of claim 3 further comprising the step of providing the student with a filter utility, the filter utility adapted to extract selected sentence entries from the database of all sentence entries based on a filter criteria selected by the student, the filter criteria specifying a selection taken from at least one of the input fields.

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19. The method of claim 3 further comprising the step of providing the student with a calculation utility, the calculation utility adapted to provide a total number of occurrences of a sentence part from an input field specified by the student.

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20. An apparatus for instructing a student to learn the English language comprising:

I) a housing suitable for being held in the hand of a student;

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II) a display screen attached to the housing

III) computer processing means integrated within the housing, adapted to:

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a) store a plurality of English sentences and predefined sentence parts into a plurality of input fields of a computer program;

b) display to the student the user interface of the software program, the software program configured to allow

the student to select any of the input fields with the input means;

c) display to the student in a display field of the user interface the entirety of the sentence part contained
5 by the selected input field;

e) display to the student in a sentence display field the concatenated sentence parts obtained from each of the input field for the selected sentence.

10 21. The apparatus of claim 20 wherein the software program is a spreadsheet program, and wherein each input field is a cell in the spreadsheet.

15 22. The apparatus of claim 20 wherein the predefined English sentence parts comprise a subject, a predicate, an object, a condition, and a pre-subject.

20 23. The apparatus of claim 20 wherein a sentence phrase, comprised of two or more sentence parts, is assembled by the software program and displayed on a display field for viewing by the student.

25 24. The apparatus of claim 20 wherein for each input field, the processing means calculates the number of occurrences of each different sentence part input thereto, and upon the student selecting an input field via the input means, the calculation results for the input field selected by the student is displayed on the display screen.

30 25. The apparatus of claim 23, wherein the subject sentence parts are classified into:

people (p),
things (t),